IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A recording apparatus for a write-once and/or rerecordable optical recording medium which has a recording position information section formed
beforehand for bearing recording position information, and records a data signal including
address information in accordance with recording frames indicated by said recording position
information, the recording apparatus comprising:

a discriminator for discriminating said recording position information;

a detector for detecting a deviation between an end position address of recorded data

already recorded said address information recorded in on said optical recording medium and said

recording position information a frame address next to the end position address; and

a controller for <u>adjusting controlling the a recording start</u> position of the data signal based on the deviation while recording the data signal.

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): A recording apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the controller controls adjusts the recording start position such that a difference between said address information the end position address of recorded data and said recording position information the recording start position falls within a predetermined range.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended) A recording apparatus for a write-once and/or rerecordable optical recording medium which has a recording position information section formed beforehand for bearing recording position information, and records a data signal in a recording format including synchronization information in accordance with <u>recording frames indicated by</u> said recording position information, the recording apparatus comprising:

a discriminator for discriminating said recording position information;

a detector for detecting a deviation between <u>an end position address of recorded data</u>

<u>already recorded the synchronization information recorded in on</u> said optical recording medium and <u>said recording position information</u> <u>a frame address next to the end position address by comparing said recording position information and the synchronization information of the recorded data; and</u>

a controller for <u>adjusting</u> eontrolling the <u>a</u> recording <u>start</u> position of the data signal based on the deviation while recording the data signal.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): A recording apparatus according to claim 3, wherein the controller controls adjusts the recording start position such that a difference between the synchronization information the end position of recorded data and said recording position information the recording start position falls within a predetermined range.

Claim 5 (Cancelled).

Claim 6 (Cancelled).

Claim 7 (Cancelled).

Claim 8 (Currently Amended): A recording apparatus for a write-once and/or rerecordable optical recording medium which has a recording position information section formed beforehand for bearing recording position information, and records a data signal including address information in accordance with said recording position information, the recording apparatus comprising:

a discriminator for discriminating said recording position information;

a detector for detecting a deviation between said address information recorded in said optical recording medium and said recording position information; and

a controller for controlling the recording position of the data signal based on the deviation while recording the data signal

A recording apparatus according to claim 6, wherein the controller controls the difference between said address information and said recording position information to be within a predetermined range by recording predetermined data in a recording area present between a recording end position and the position where the recording position information section is formed.

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): A recording apparatus for a write-once and/or rerecordable optical recording medium which has a recording position information section formed
beforehand for bearing recording position information, and records a data signal including
address information in accordance with said recording position information, the recording
apparatus comprising:

a discriminator for discriminating said recording position information;

a detector for detecting a deviation between said address information recorded in said optical recording medium and said recording position information;

a controller for controlling the recording position of the data signal based on the deviation while recording the data signal;

A recording apparatus according to claim 6, further comprising an identifier for identifying a rewritable optical recording medium on which data is to be recorded, and an

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irregular-area detector for detecting an irregular recording area subject to the deviation, wherein

the controller rewrites the data which has already recorded on the irregular recording area.

Claim 10 (Original): A recording apparatus according to claim 9, further comprising a

memory for storing the data recorded onto the irregular recording area.

Claim 11 (Original): A recording apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said recording

position information is information defined by a prepit.

Claim 12 (Original): A recording apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said recording

position information is information defined by wobbling.

Claim 13 (Cancelled).

Claim 14 (Cancelled).

Claim 15 (New): A recording apparatus according to claim 3, wherein said recording

position information is information defined by a prepit.

Claim 16 (New): A recording apparatus according to claim 3, wherein said recording

position information is information defined by wobbling.

Claim 17 (New): A recording apparatus according to claim 8, wherein said recording

position information is information defined by a prepit.

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Claim 18 (New): A recording apparatus according to claim 8, wherein said recording position information is information defined by wobbling.